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Senator Garcia moved the following **amendment to amendment**  
(873066):

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 4, between lines 26 and 27,

insert:

Section 2. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section  
550.5251, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

550.5251 Florida thoroughbred racing; certain permits;  
operating days.--

(1) Each thoroughbred permitholder under whose permit  
thoroughbred racing was conducted in this state at any time  
between January 1, 1987, and January 1, 2005 ~~1988~~, shall  
annually be entitled to apply for and annually receive  
thoroughbred racing days and dates as set forth in this  
section. As regards such permitholders, the annual  
thoroughbred racing season shall be from June 1 of any year  
through May 31 of the following year and shall be known as the  
"Florida Thoroughbred Racing Season."

(2) Each permitholder referred to in subsection (1)

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1 shall annually, during the period commencing December 15 of  
2 each year and ending January 4 of the following year, file in  
3 writing with the division its application to conduct one or  
4 more thoroughbred racing meetings during the thoroughbred  
5 racing season commencing on the following June 1. Each  
6 application shall specify the number and dates of all  
7 performances that the permitholder intends to conduct during  
8 that thoroughbred racing season. On or before February 15 of  
9 each year, the division shall issue a license authorizing each  
10 permitholder to conduct performances on the dates specified in  
11 its application. Up to March 31 of each year, each  
12 permitholder may request and shall be granted changes in its  
13 authorized performances; ~~but thereafter, as a condition~~  
14 ~~precedent to the validity of its license and its right to~~  
15 ~~retain its permit, each permitholder must operate the full~~  
16 ~~number of days authorized on each of the dates set forth in~~  
17 ~~its license.~~

18 (3) Each thoroughbred permit referred to in subsection  
19 (1), including, but not limited to, any permit originally  
20 issued as a summer thoroughbred horse racing permit, is hereby  
21 validated and shall continue in full force and effect, irrespective of any action that the division may take or may  
22 have heretofore taken against the permit.

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25 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 On page 44, line 31, following the second semicolon

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1 insert:

2 amending s. 550.5251, F.S.; revising licensing  
3 and permit requirements relating to required  
4 operating days for certain thoroughbred racing  
5 permitholders; revising timeframe for  
6 application of certain requirements; deleting  
7 requirement that certain thoroughbred  
8 permitholders operate the full number of days;  
9 providing for validity of certain permits;

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